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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for an extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated November 7, 2006, for 1 month. Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$135.00 for in payment of the \$60.00 extension fee and extra claim fees. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1351.

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 7, 2006, please enter this Amendment and Response in the above-identified patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.